

TO INSTRUCT FOR TAFT IN NEW YORK

Rochester Convention Will Indorse His Acts and Declare for Him.

BARNES NOT TO OPPOSE

Stand of Roosevelt Men Makes It Necessary to Act Decisively.

PLATFORM OUTSPOKEN

Root, Stimson, Koenig and Other Leaders Favor the Change of Plan.

State convention of New York to be held in Rochester next week will instruct the delegates to the Chicago convention for President Taft. That statement was made by a high authority.

though they acknowledged that the men to be chosen for the Chicago convention would be for Taft. It was learned tonight that Senator Root, Vice-President

The New York state leaders have learned that the President himself, while not wishing to interfere in any way with the New York situation, would prefer to have the delegates carry instructions. The New York delegates in Congress say that the President's friends in New York are going to insist upon instructions. No opposition is anticipated from Chair-

The chairman and his close-friends have contended all along they were for Taft and it was merely a question of

The Barnes people have contended that instructions by the New York State convention might do the President's campaign more harm than good, in view of the ultra conservative platform

be a trifle embarrassing for a Republican progressive of the Taft type.

These arguments, however, have had little influence with the Taft men and it can be said now that they are going to Rochester with the determination to select delegates instructed for Mr. Taft.

of the New York State convention to instruct for Taft may have had something to do with a change in plans. The Roosevelt managers have again gained

"I don't think it would be of any help to the Republicans on election day if we were to bind the delegation from this State hard and fast for Taft in the convention. There is no other significance to our sending an uninstructed delegation."

There have been rumors and stories circulated that Barnes desired to prevent the instruction of the convention dele-

be free to act to the best advantage in the event of a compromise candidate being suggested. Furthermore it has been said that the idea of an uninstructed delegation was to promote the renomination of Vice-President Sherman, but the fact that Mr. Sherman himself is in favor of the election of delegates at large under instructions would seem to refute this. The Taft people have contended right

along that the stories circulated by the Roosevelt managers in regard to Barnes's loyalty were groundless and that the New York State chairman was heartily in

President Taft besides declining to interfere in any way with the action of the New York State convention will take

It was learned to-day that Senator Root has been drawing a tentative draft of some parts of this platform for submission to the convention. It is understood he has been doing this at the request of Chairman Barney. Senator Root's opposition to judiciary recall and to the initiative and referendum are well known. The Senator, it is believed, is drafting the planks in the platform which